



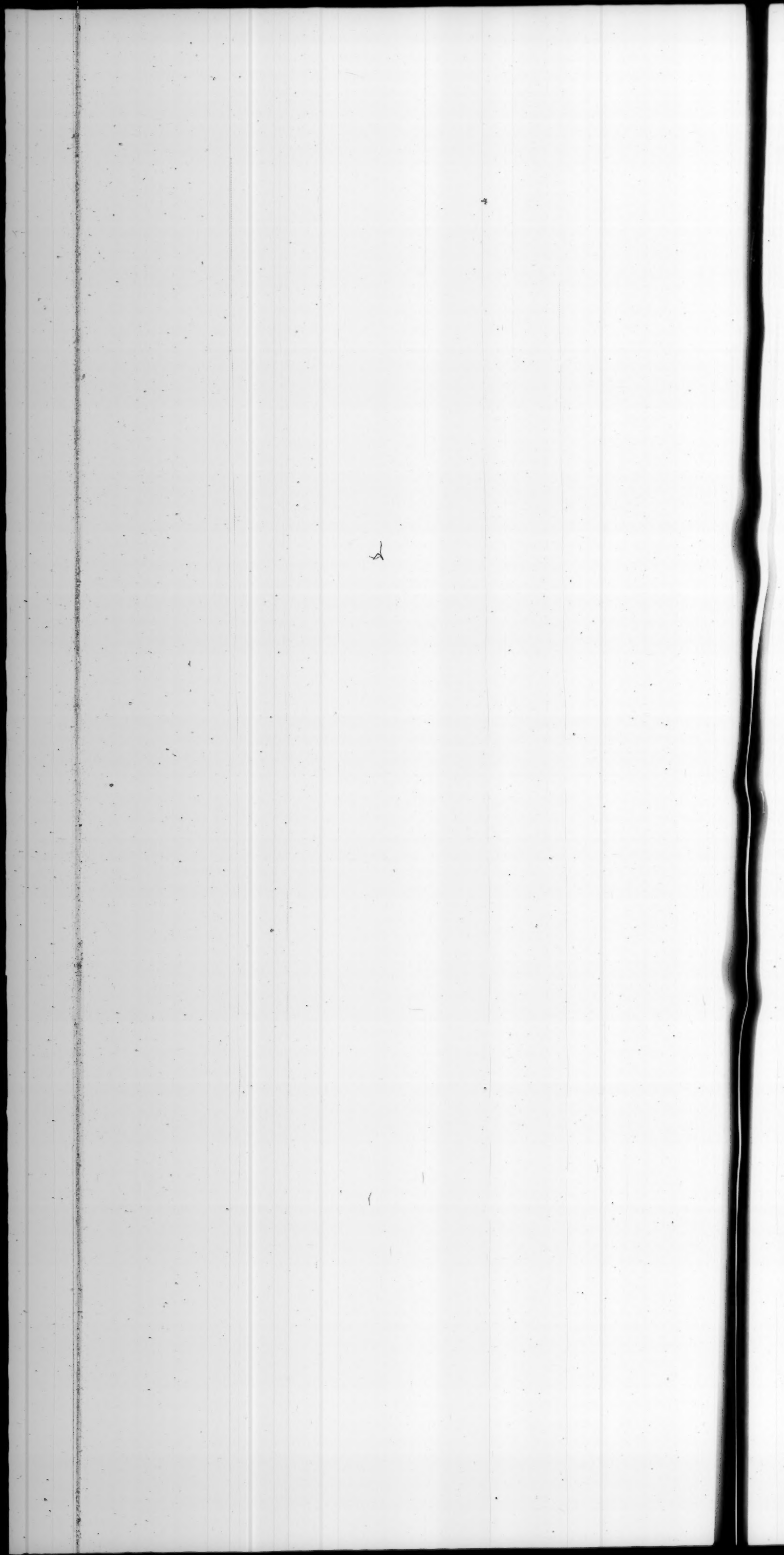
By the King.

## A Proclamation for Adiournement of part of Trinitie Terme.



He Kings most Excellent Maiestie finding that the infection of the Plague is at this present scattered and dispersed in the City of London, and the Suburbs, and some Parishes adioyning to the same, and weighing the danger & inconueniences which may fall out, by the resort of his Subjects from all parts of the Kingdome to his Cities of London and Westminster, for their necessary Causes, and Suites the next Terme; And being prouidently carefull to prevent all occasions that may tend to the increasing or dispersing of the Plague; Hath thought good (by the aduice of his Prīue Councell) to publish his Royall Pleasure, to Adiourne some part of Trinity Terme next, that is to say, in, and from the second Returne thereof, called Octabis Trinitatis, vntill Tres Trinitatis, being the last Returne of the same: And that to be for such Causes onely, and for such intent and purpose, as hereafter is expressed.

And therefore his Maiestie doth hereby signifie and declare that his will and Pleasure is, that writs of Adiournement shall be directed to the Iustices of either Bench, and to the Judges of all other his Maiesties Courts, to whom like writs haue beene vsually Directed, giuing them power to adiourne the next Trinitie Terme, in, and from Octabis Trinitatis next, vntill Tres Trinitatis then next following; And the said Adiournement to be made the first day of the said Octabis Trinitatis, called the day of the Esloynes. And his Maiestie considering in his Princely Wisedome the preiudice that may grow to many of his Subjects in their Causes and Suites, if that Terme should bee wholly adiourned, hath therefore by the Aduice of his said Councell determined to haue some part thereof to bee holden and continued for some few dayes in the beginning and ending of the same, as is before declared, wherein neuertheless his

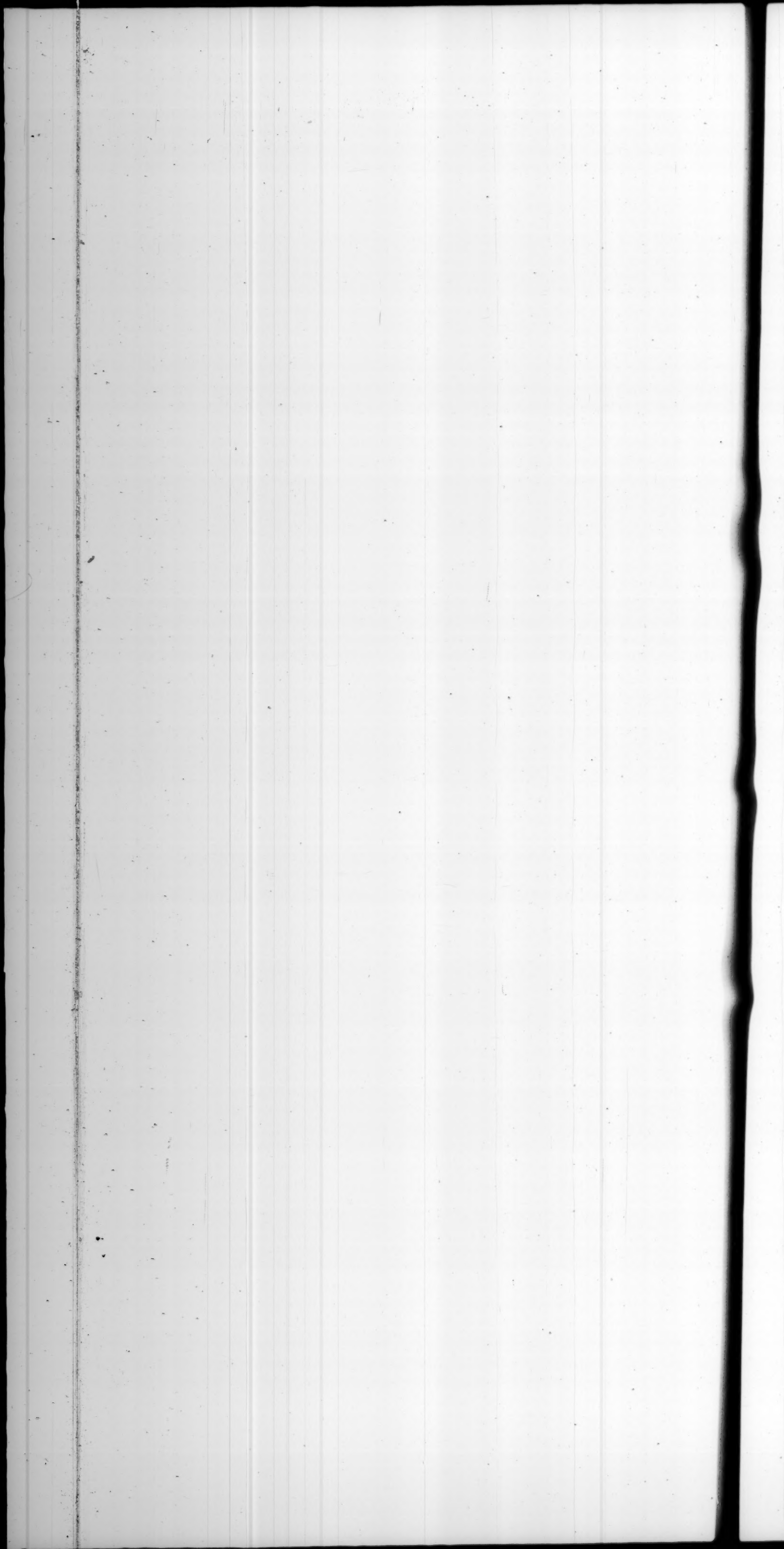




His Maesties intention is that the same dayes shall be vled onely for the better expediting and continuing of Causes and Suits, and returning and suing out of Processe, and for such other like things as may be performed and done in the absence of the parties by their Attornies: And therefore his Maestie doth hereby declare his will and Pleasure to be, that in the said Terme there shall be no Trials by Juries, or any Judgements upon demurs, or speciall verdicts, or such like in any of his Courts of Kings Bench, Common Pleas, or Exchequer; And also that there shall be no iudiciall hearing, or determining of any Causes or matters, in any of his Courts of Star-Chamber, Chancery, Exchequer-Chamber, Court of Wards, Dutchy Chamber, or Court of Requests, during the said Terme; And that no party shall need to be present in person for any such Causes, or suits, but the same may be attended and done by their Attornies. And his Maestie doth hereby further notifie and declare, that no partie shall be compelled or need to appeare in person in any of his Maesties said Courts, at any time during the said Terme, but may make their appearance by their Attornies, saving onely in Cases of Outlawry, and other the Cases mentioned in the Prouiso hereafter following. And also that no Juries, or any whom the same may concerne, shall be compelled or need to appeare, in any of his Highnesse Courts at Westminster at any time during the said Terme, for any Cause or matter whatsoever, vnlesse it be for some speciall & important Cause for his Maesties service only: Provided neuertheless, and his Maesties Pleasure and Commandement is, that all Collectors, Receiuers, Sheriffes, and other Accountants, and all other persons that should or ought to account, or pay any summe, or summes of money in any of his Maesties Court of Exchequer, Court of Wards and Liveries, or of his Dutchie of Lancaster, or in any of them, or enter into any account in any of the said Courts, shall repaire to the accustomed places at Westminster, and there to pay, and doe in euery behalfe, as though no such Proclamation, or Adournement had bene had or made.

And his Maesties further pleasure and Commandment is, That all Sheriffes shall retorne into his Maesties Court of Exchequer, Court of Wards and Liveries, and Dutchie of Lancaster, all manner of Writs and Processe issued out of the same Courts, and returnable in Trinitie Terme next, which in any sort concerne his Maesties Reuenues, debts or duties, at, or before the dayes of Returnes thereof, into such Offices from whence the said Writs and Processe did issue; And that all Commissioners likewise retorne all manner of Commissions, and Inquisitions returnable the same Trinitie Terme, and from the said Court sent, whereby his Maesty is to receiue profit and commodity.

And all Sheriffes, Collectors, and all manner of Accomptants, and euery person that is to pay any kinde of debt or duty vnto the Kings Maestie in any of the said Courts, do either by themselves their Deputies or Attornies pay the same, in such sort as they ought to haue done, if no such Proclamation or Adournment had bene made, or else to sustaine such damage of Issues, Seizure, Fine, Amercement, and Penaltie to bee imposed vpon them, as hath bene accustomed without any hope to be discharged thereof; And that all Sheriffes by themselves, or their sufficient Deputies, shall giue their attendance at the day appointed for their Opposall in the Court of Exchequer, to answer their Returnes before his said Barons, as hath bene heretofore accustomed; And if any default shall bee made by any of the persons aforesaid, That then (in respect of the Kings present necessary and extraordinary Charges) Sergeants at Armes, and Parleuants, shall bee sent to bring them vp to answer their Contempt and lacknesse in payment.





And his Maiesties further pleasure is. And he doth expressly require and command that all and euery person and persons, who by any of his Maiesties former Proclamations, haue beene required to depart from the Cities of London and Westminster, Suburbes and Liberties thereof, and places adioyning, and to reside in the Countrey, do conforme themselves accordingly, and that they presume not to remaine here, after the end of this present Easter Terme, vnder pretence of Law Suits, or otherwise: And because his Maiestie hopeth, that by the sending away of those multitudes of persons inhabiting in the Countrey, there may bee a better opportunity for the Magistrates, in, and neere the Citie of London, to gouerne the said Citie and the parts adiacent, in such sort as that the sicke and infected may bee seuered and kept from the whole, whereby, and by the blessing of God, the further spreading of the Infection may be staied.

Therefore his Maiestie doth especially charge and require, as well the Lord Maior and Aldermen of the Citie of London, as the Iustices of Peace, and all other Officers and Ministers, within Westminster, Middlesex, Surrey and Kent, to take speciall care, that as well the Orders lately published by his Maiesties Direction, as such others as shall bee found necessary for preventing the spreading of the Infection, be from time to time strictly put in execution: And also, that all other the Iustices of Peace, in all other Counties, Maiors, Saliffes, and chiefe Officers of Cities and Townes Corporate, and other places within their severall Jurisdictions bee careful to doe the like as there shall bee occasion, as they tender his Maiesties Royall Commands, and the common safety of his Kingdomes and People, in these times of danger.

Giuen at Our Honor of *Hampton Court*, the seuen and twentieth day of May, in the twelfth yeere of Our Reigne of *England, Scotland, France, and Ireland.*

God saue the King.



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